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For: OPTICAL DISC RECORDING/  
REPRODUCTION APPARATUS AND  
METHOD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed in accordance  
with 37 CFR 1.173(b). Please amend the specification and claims  
of the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph at column 1, lines 26 to 35,  
as follows:

-- Moreover, as the numerical aperture increases, and as the  
thickness of the optical disc substrate increases, there will be  
more affects by the wave [font] front aberration generated by the  
inclination or warp of the optical disc and assembly accuracy.